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The MCI Hotline is published quarterly by MCI providing you with up-to-date information. Feedback from the Hotline identified the need to expand our distribution list. Although distribution of the Hotline goes to each RUC, many Marines do not receive important MCI updates contained in these newsletters. In an effort to bridge this information gap, the Hotline will now be included in the packing list of every MCI course and included on MCI's Web page.

## **Deputy Director's Corner**

The frantic pace of operations here at MCI continues. Our enrollments and completions continue to increase and are at record levels. If the current levels continue, we are on track to top 700,000 enrollments for the fiscal year. This means that more and more Marines are making use of the courses and services that we offer.

We are constantly working to improve our processes to serve you better. A new inventory tracking system was recently installed that will allow us better tracking of inventory and shipping. This will save us print costs, storage costs, and streamline our process to serve our customers better.

We recently gave briefs to the E-8 Seminar at Camp Lejeune and to the First Sergeants Course in Quantico. We were able to personally interact with more than 300 senior staff noncommissioned officers of the Marine Corps.

In addition to conducting our normal operations, the Marines of MCI are heavily involved in the summer parade season. Every Tuesday and Friday night, Marines of the Institute are out engaging the public and doing their best to represent all Marines to the parade attendees. Recently, we said farewell to one of our civilian Marines, Mr. Steve Rosenthal, who retired after 30 years of service with the Federal Government —13 of those years were spent here at the Institute in the edit section.

Please feel free to contact us here at MCI or come by to visit anytime. We welcome the opportunity to talk to our customers and interact with them. This is your Institute and we are striving to serve you in the best way we can.

Semper Fidelis

N.B. Klaus LtCol, USMC

## **DLTD New Marines**

Once again, MCI Company has received some extremely motivated "new joins" who volunteered to do a tour that will make a difference in educating Marines worldwide. Writing an MCI course is a hard, yet extremely rewarding accomplishment. These Marines are checking into MCI Company saying the same message, "I want to help the younger Marines within my MOS." With that, we would like to send a "Welcome Aboard" to our three new team members in the Distance Learning & Technologies Department (DLTD):

- Gunnery Sergeant James Johnson, MOS 0629/Radio Chief, arrived from the Local Control Center, Business Logistics Supply Department as the Communications Chief at Camp Lejeune. Initially, he will work on MCI 287A, *Introduction* to Electronic Test Equipment, but then will shift his focus to a series of new courses within the data/communications field.
- Staff Sergeant Chris Clark, MOS 1141/Utilities Chief, arrived from MCRD Parris Island. He will take on the task of updating and developing utilities courses on solid-state equipment.
- Staff Sergeant Lecia Tienda, MOS 5811/Military Police Officer, arrived from MCRD Parris Island. She will focus on developing courses for military police NCOs as well as courses relating to appropriate "Use of Force" and "Rules of Engagement" as they are rapidly changing in today's world.

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## **Upcoming Publications**

Look for the following new publications that should be ready for distribution sometime during the 4th quarter:

Courses 0380A, Infantry Squad Leader 0410C, MIMMS 1381, Math for Marines (CD) 1382, Math for Marines (Web) 571A, NBC Individual Survival Measures

Job Aids
AAV Tactical Crewman Checklist
Embarkation Guide
Fire Support Handbook

MCI is currently validating the following courses:

2124G, Armory Procedures 3503A, Motor Transport Operator: NCO 3525C, Tactical Vehicle Fuel and Exhaust Systems 4133, Semper Fit

Once validation is complete, these courses should be available early 1st Qtr FY05.

## **Seeking Qualified Course Writers**

As always, MCI is looking for motivated SNCOs who want to make a difference by volunteering to be a course writer. If you want a challenging, yet rewarding new job that offers the many benefits of working in the Washington, DC metropolitian area, tell your monitor today or contact 1stSgt Stephens at (202) 685-7466 (DSN 325-7466). Your work as a DLI will ensure you leave a lasting mark on the Corps!